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SUBJ: EVACUATION FROM SOUTH VIET-NAM AND CAMBODIA

1. SIR ROBERT JACKSON GAVE AMBASSADOR BENNETT FOLLOWING
INFORMATION THIS MORNING RE EVACUATION FROM SOUTH VIET-NAM
AND CAMBODIA:

A. SOUTH VIET-NAM: JACKSON EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR U.S.
HELP IN GETTING 28 UNITED NATIONS PERSONNEL OUT FROM
SAIGON "LAST NIGHT." UNDP RESIDENT REPRESENTATIVE, SALES,
ABOUT WHOM THERE HAD BEEN CONCERN, WAS AMONG THE 28. JACKSON
WHO HAD BEEN ABLE TO GET THROUGH TO SAIGON TWICE BY TELEPHONE
SAID THAT OUR HELP MADE ALL THE DIFFERENCE. HE LISTED A
TOTAL OF SIX UN PERSONNEL REMAINING IN SAIGON: TWO DOCTORS
WITH AN ASSISTANT AND THREE UNICEF PERSONNEL. ONE OF THE LATTER
ALSO REPRESENTS UNDP. THUS, SAID JACKSON, THE UN PRESENCE
REMAINS IN SAIGON.

B. CAMBODIA: UN HAD RECEIVED PERMISSION THIS MORNING FROM
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KHMER ROUGE IN PHNOM PENH TO ALLOW 610 PERSONS TO DEPART FROM

THEIR REFUGE IN FRENCH EMBASSY THERE. THE REFUGEES WILL BE ALLOWED TO LEAVE IN GROUPS OF 120 AND WILL GO BY TRUCK TO THAI BORDER. JACKSON ESTIMATED IT WOULD BE ABOUT A SEVEN HOUR TRIP. HE THEN SAID ESTIMATES WERE IT MIGHT TAKE FROM ONE TO TWO WEEKS TO GET ALL 610 OUT. JACKSON SAID HE WAS NOT ANNOUNCING THIS PUBLICLY FOR FEAR IT MIGHT BE TAKEN BY KHMER ROUGE AS CRITICISM AND CAUSE THEM TO HOLD UP ON EXIT PROGRAM. JACKSON SAID KHMER ROUGE HAD REFUSED TO PERMIT FRENCH TO SEND IN AIRCRAFT STANDING BY AT VIENTIANE.

2. JACKSON SAID THERE WAS STILL NO DIRECT CONTACT WITH PHNOM PENH. HE WAS NOT SURE HOW MESSAGE HAD COME OUT BUT BELIEVED IT HAD COME BY ROAD TO THAI BORDER AND THENCE RELAYED TO UNITED NATIONS.

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